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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Serge VAUDENAY, et al.

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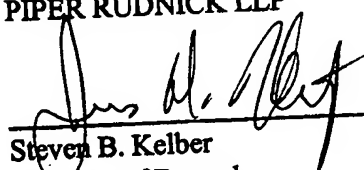
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SIR:

Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-referenced patent application, hereby gives notice that it is eligible for small entity status in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.27(c).

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